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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following Amendment of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC) 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. Description

8 Transit and Local Elements

 Modifies or adds various projects from various funding programs in Alameda, Contra Costa, Napa, Santa Clara, San Francisco, San Mateo, Solano, and Sonoma counties. The amendment includes projects with funding from the Surface Transportation Program (STP), the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program, Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) program and various Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Programs. See enclosure.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration approve this FTIP Amendment for inclusion into California's 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP are not approved as part of this FTIP Amendment and are shown for information only.

The updated programming is for project types that have been found by the MTC to conform to applicable air quality regulations. This FTIP Amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. Fund types on projects, listed in the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS), as "Future RTIP, ITIP Funds" are considered to be for information only and are not included

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with the financial analysis. These projects are included and submitted by MTC through the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS). Caltrans concerns, if any, are reflected in the "Caltrans comment" section of the FTIP Project Data Entry screen in CTIPS project by project.

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. The MTC prepared this FTIP Amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment. This FTIP Amendment has completed the Association of Bay Area Governments Intergovernmental Review (IGR) process (documentation enclosed).

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Muhaned Aljabiry of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely

FOR JIM NICHOLAS

Chief

Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosures

c: Steven Barhite - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure) Steve Heminger - Metropolitan Transportation Commission Raymond Odunlami - Metropolitan Transportation Commission Muhaned Aljabiry - Caltrans